GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Greenfield Expressway
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to build 16 greenfield expressways;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) the steps taken/proposed by the Government in this regard for the time bound construction of these expressways; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to involve State Governments in this project and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) &(b) No Madam. Govt. of India has approved a plan for constructing 1000 km of Expressways under NHDP Phase-VI at a cost of Rs. 16,680cr on DBFOT basis. The main criteria for selection of Expressway corridors will be the traffic volume and it was approved that the highest density corridor i.e. Vododara-Mumbai Corridor (400 km) was given top priority and considered for feasibility study. It was also decided that remaining 600 km will be selected out of the routes identified on the basis of traffic volume. The high density corridors approved under NHDP Phase-VI are (i) Vododara-Mumbai Corridor (400 km) in Gujarat and Maharashtra, (ii) Delhi-Meerut (66 km) on NH-58 in Delhi/UP, (iii) Bangalore-Chennai (334 km) on NH-4 in Karnataka/Tamil Nadu, (iv) Delhi-Jaipur (261 Km) on NH-8 in Delhi/Rajasthan, (v) Delhi-Chandigarh (249 km) on NH-1 and NH-22, (now changed to Delhi-Ludhiana-Amritsar-Katra Expressway) in Delhi/Punjab/J&K, (vi) Kolkata-Dhanbad (277 km) on NH-2 in West Bengal/Jharkhand and (vii) Delhi-Agra (200 km) on NH-2 in Delhi/UP.

Out of 66 Km length of Delhi-Meerut Expressway, 30.63 Km length has already been awarded in 2 packages and contract agreement is executed on 4.3.2016. Bid for one package of 19.284 Km length has been invited with Bid Due Date of 9.5.2016. Feasibility study of remaining length is under progress.

In addition to above, Government has approved to take up one more expressway namely Eastern Peripheral expressway for a length of 135 Km in 6 packages. The construction on Eastern Peripheral expressway has been started w.e.f 14.09.2015 (Appointed Dated) with construction period of 30 months.

(c) The progress of these Expressway are being monitored closely by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and NHAI has been asked for the time bound construction of these expressways;

Yes, Madam. State Govts. are being involved during land acquisition process of these expressways.
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